

### **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A retractable fishing net includes a handle, a retraction mechanism, a net support band and a netting. The handle has a grip end and a net end. The retraction mechanism is slidably mounted on the handle, the retraction mechanism being movable between the grip end and the net end. The net support band has a first band end and a second band end, the first band end and the second band end each being mounted to the retraction mechanism, the net support band thereby having a hoop shape. The net support band is mounted relative to the handle and the retraction mechanism in a manner so as to provide the net support band with a spring quality, the spring quality of the net support band acting to bias the retraction mechanism toward the net end of the handle. The netting is mounted on the net support band.